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HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM BURNING AUTO

Raymond Kriskey Has Startling Experience Late Saturday Afternoon—A Close Call.

From Monday's Daily—
Saturday afternoon shortly after 5:30 o'clock, Raymond Kriskey had a very close call from receiving serious if not fatal injuries when his auto caught fire on the highway near the Missouri Pacific passenger station, and but for the coolness and prompt action of the young man he would probably have met his death in the accident.

Mr. Kriskey had started for home in his Ford roadster, having with him in the car a two-gallon can of gasoline, the can resting on the floor of the car. In the jolting of the auto it seems that some of the gasoline slopped out and as the car was near the depot, the gasoline leaking out fell on the heated exhaust pipe of the car and in a second a sheet of flame darted up through the floor and ignited the clothing of Raymond. The car was still in motion when the accident occurred and Ray, on seeing the danger of the blowing up of the can of gasoline, leaped from the car, tearing off his shirt and trousers which were flaming and stamping out the blaze. In the clothing of the car had gained some headway by this time and started down the small incline from the depot to Elm street and Raymond raced after the car, being able to reach it after a hard run when the car had gone the distance of a block, and despite the blaze was able to shut the car off, burning his right hand very badly in getting the car stopped. The gasoline can had exploded before Kriskey reached the car and it was burning quite rapidly when the young man reached it.

Those who had seen the burning car had turned in an alarm for the fire department and the engine arrived on the scene of action in time to save part of the car and extinguish the blaze before it entirely consumed the roadster.

The car was the property of Frank Krefel and was being used by Mr. Kriskey, who was to have purchased it from the owner.

The escape was a very close one for Mr. Kriskey and was the second very serious auto accident he has experienced in the last few months as he was one of the victims of the wreck of the car of John Fyfe in Omaha several weeks ago when the auto was struck by a street car and practically destroyed. Mr. Kriskey at that time receiving several cuts and wounds that he suffered from for weeks.

SLUGGERS GO TO DEFEAT

From Monday's Daily—
The Bohemian Sluggers of this city engaged the Murray baseball team in an exhibition of the national pastime yesterday afternoon at that place which resulted in the defeat of the Sluggers by the score of 5 to 4, is the report of the contest given here.

The Murray team outthit the Plattsmouth knights of the bat, winning in the contest, while William Meade, the hockey Union slab artist secured for the day by Murray was able to hold the Sluggers to few and scattered hits. Earl Hathaway served as the catcher for Murray and assisted in the defeat of their opponents.

For the Sluggers Frank Wooster was on the mound and was touched up very lively during the battle while Frank Koubeck did the receiving.

Art Hill of the Murray team scored the batting honors of the day for his team as he poled several long hits off Wooster that added to the scoring of his team.

MRS. STREIGHT CRITICALLY ILL
From Monday's Daily—
The many friends over Cass county will regret to learn that Mrs. William J. Streight of this city is still in very critical condition at the Clarkson hospital in Omaha, for the past several days having failed to show the improvement that had been hoped for and which makes her condition very grave.

Mrs. Streight is suffering from complications of stomach and heart affections which in her weakened condition and long illness have made her case one that has caused the greatest apprehension and worry to the members of the family and the attending physicians.

MARRIED AT COURT HOUSE

From Monday's Daily—
Saturday afternoon A. H. Duxbury the marrying judge of Cass county, was called upon at his office in the court house to pronounce life sentence upon two Omaha young people that had motored down to have their life's happiness consummated by the genial Cass county judge. The contracting parties were Edward Faust and Miss Helen Mader, both of the state metropolis. The wedding was witnessed by County Clerk Geo. Sayles and Robert Walling, who also showered the young people with well wishes on their important step in life.

Phone us the news!

VISITS INJURED FATHER

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday Glen Morse of the Plattsmouth Motor company, was a visitor at Bedford, Iowa, with his father, Allen Morse, who was very severely injured several days ago. The elder Mr. Morse was in the employ of the McLaughlin Construction company and was working with a concrete mixer when injured. He suffered a fracture of the collar bone, a broken arm and several fractured ribs. The gentleman is seventy years of age and the injuries proved to be very serious at the best and especially so at his age. Mr. Morse reports the father as doing as well as possible but still in serious shape.

LAYMEN TO HOLD SERVICES AT THE M. E. CHURCH

During Visit of Pastor in the East, Services Will be Conducted by Members of the Church.

From Monday's Daily—
The Methodist church of this city will in the next few weeks be a church without a pastor as the Rev. Frank Emory Pflaum and family are enjoying an outing in New England. In the absence of the pastor the church is to be in charge of the lay members of the church who are staging the services and carrying on the regular routine of the service with lay talks and discussions instead of the regular preaching service.

Yesterday the members of the church selected C. C. Westcott as the presiding member of the church for the day, he speaking at both the morning and evening services with very inspirational discussions of the church and its work.

At the evening service last evening there was a special musical program given by the choir of the church, Clifford Cecil giving a vocal solo during the program. A special number was given by Edgar Westcott on the marimba, who took one of the old familiar hymns as his selection.

NEW HORSESHOE STAR

From Monday's Daily—
The Plattsmouth horseshoe devotees are showing real spirit in the last few days and the clang of the shoes is to be heard in several sections of the city and new adherents are daily being added to the valiant little band that was first started in the sport by County Clerk Sayles, who might well be termed the Chinese gatherer of horseshoe pitching so far as Plattsmouth is concerned, as he had an important part in getting the game going.

The main street players have mapped out a court at the high school campus, which they started to use Saturday and where the devotees gathered from all over the city to play.

Harley Burdick has leaped into the horseshoe hall of fame by making twelve ringers, and one double ringer, showing his increasing skill. Mr. Burdick beat John Iverson, 21 to 9 in the individual tests, while John Iverson won from George Sayles in the single matches, 21 to 15.

The visitors Iverson, Will Adams and Bob Fitch defeated Sayles and Burdick in the double hurling.

One of the new showers is Everett Noble, who has developed some very marked ability and will give the veteran pitchers a run for their money. Being a switchman, "Wuzzy" knows all about horse shoes.

ATTENDS AUXILIARY MEET
From Monday's Daily—
Mrs. Charles M. Manners of this city has returned home from Lincoln where she spent several days last week in attendance at the convention of the M. D. A. Auxiliary, which was meeting in the capital city in conjunction with the M. D. A. of the Burlington. This auxiliary is composed of the wives, daughters, mothers and sisters of the employees of the mechanical department of the Burlington and has a very large and growing membership in the towns where there are shops of the Burlington system. Mrs. Manners was the representative of the local auxiliary at the convention. Mrs. Manners served on a number of the important committees of the meeting and enjoyed very much the opportunity of meeting with the ladies from points all over the Burlington system.

DRAWNS DOWN A FINE

From Monday's Daily—
Ernest Plumbeck, of Chicago, who was taken in custody on Friday at Eagle on the charge of having operated a motor vehicle without a license and contrary to the peace and dignity of the people of the state of Nebraska, was given a hearing on Saturday afternoon on the charge preferred by the county attorney, Mr. Plumbeck was found guilty by Judge A. H. Duxbury and fined \$5 and costs. The costs were quite heavy and the total sum required to be paid over to the treasury of Cass county was \$26.50. The fine was paid and the man sent on his way rejoicing.

DISTINGUISHED MASON GIVEN HIGH TRIBUTE

Masonic News Gives Sketch of Life of Hon. Francis E. White, Former Resident Here.

The July issue of the Masonic News has a very interesting sketch of the life and services of Hon. Francis E. White, former Plattsmouth man, now just retiring from the office of grand secretary of the Nebraska A. F. & A. M. The account of the services of Mr. White appearing in the Masonic organ is as follows:

"After serving twenty-six consecutive years as grand secretary of the grand lodge of Nebraska, A. F. & A. M., Francis E. White turned the office over to Lewis E. Smith, who positions by the grand lodge. He accepted that of grand secretary, and was installed into office June 9, 1899, and served until June 11, 1925. He served on many important committees of the grand lodge and says that his best work, if he has any 'best,' was on the Committee on Codification of the Law, and on the committee that prepared the present Monitor and Ceremonies.

"He is chairman of the Knights Templar loan fund of Nebraska, has served as grand recorder of the grand council, Royal and Select Masters, since 1899, was one of the original incorporators of the Nebraska Masonic home and is a trustee and the secretary of that home at that date.

"He received the degrees of Royal Arch Masonry in Nebraska chapter No. 2, R. A. M., of Plattsmouth, in 1871, was installed high priest of the chapter in 1873, and served as such for eleven years. Was grand high priest of the grand lodge in 1871, and served one year. He attended fifty-one sessions of the grand chapter, R. A. M. of Nebraska, and was acting secretary until the grand chapter met in December of that year when he was elected, and he has been annually re-elected since that date.

"He received the Orders of Knight-hood in Mt. Zion commandery No. 5, K. T., of Plattsmouth, November 7, 1873, while the commandery was under dispensation, and became a charter member November 12, 1873. Was installed as commander in 1883, and served continuously until 1904. Was installed grand commander of the grand commandery, K. T., of Nebraska, April 19, 1882, and served until April 14, 1883. Was grand captain of the guard of the grand commandery, K. T., of Nebraska, in 1892. Is chairman of the committee on ritualistic matters of the grand encampment at the present time. Was appointed grand recorder of the grand commandery, K. T., of Nebraska, in May, 1899, elected in 1900, and has been annually re-elected since then.

"Received the degrees of Cryptic Masonry in Omaha chapter No. 1, Omaha, while the Cryptic degrees were under the control of the grand chapter, R. A. M., and affiliated with Omaha chapter No. 1, November 7, 1892. On May 7, 1899, was appointed grand recorder of the grand council, R. S. M., of Nebraska, was elected and installed in December of the same year, and has been annually re-elected ever since.

"Was elected secretary of the Nebraska Veteran Freemason's association January 23, 1900, and has been continuously re-elected since that time.

"In December, 1899, was elected recorder of the Order of High Priest-hood in Nebraska, and has been annually re-elected since that date.

"Was one of the original incorporators of the Nebraska Masonic home, in 1889, was elected a trustee at the first meeting, and has been a member of the board since that time. On January 23, 1903, was appointed secretary of the board, and has since served in that capacity.

"He received the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, 4th to 14th in 1898, 15th to 32nd in 1901, was made a knight commander of the Court of Honor in October, 1902, and was crowned Inspector general of the Thirty-third degree December 4, 1909.

WESLEY BOOKMEYER POORLY

From Tuesday's Daily—
The condition of W. J. Bookmeyer, one of the well known residents of this city, continues very poorly at his home on Marble street. Mr. Bookmeyer has been suffering a great deal in the last few weeks and his case falls to show any improvement. The condition of this well known citizen will cause a great regret among the host of friends over the city.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS MAR SUNDAY OUTINGS

On Dusty and Heavily Traveled K. of T. Highway Number of Cars Are Wrecked.

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday was a busy day for the auto repairmen in this city and the trucks that were called out to the relief of the wrecked auto parties were numerous during the day as a very large number of wrecks of varying types occurred, fortunately none having any fatalities although several parties were cut and injured in the mix-ups.

The most serious wreck of the day occurred last evening north of this city at the Nord corner where a party of people from Council Bluffs in a large Buick touring car failed to make the turn in the road and crashed into the ditch, the car being a complete wreck. The car was owned by Mrs. Della Costella Lee of Council Bluffs and had been traveling north on the highway from this city. As they neared the corner the dense clouds of dust arising along the road made it impossible for them to see the corner until too late to make the turn, as they were going at a very good rate of speed and the car crashed across the road and into the ditch, turning over and over as they struck. The top of the car was demolished, the windshield broken and the whole body of the car so badly damaged that it will be practically useless. In the car were some four persons, all of whom suffered injuries in varying degrees. Several were cut by the flying glass and suffered bruises. The injured parties were taken into Omaha for treatment at the hospital.

The second car to go into the ditch in the same locality was from Omaha and resulted in the deaths of several of the occupants of the car, several of whom were women. The wrecked car and the occupants were taken into Omaha, the members of the party to be given treatment at the Ford hospital in this city. The car was brought on into this city and placed in the Plattsmouth Motor Co. garage.

Another accident occurred a short distance south of the Nord corner early in the evening when A. L. Brown of this city drove his Ford coupe into the railing of the small bridge just north of the Burlington crossing at Oreopola. The dense clouds of dust that were arising from the passing cars made it impossible to see the bridge clearly and Mr. Brown on driving on the bridge struck into the railing with the front of the car. The right wheel of the car was almost torn off, the windshield broken and the fenders and front portion of the car badly damaged. The force of the impact was so great that the car was turned around and the rear portion of the auto struck the other side of the bridge denting the fenders and jangling up the car badly. Mr. Brown escaped without serious injury, however. The wrecked car was brought in by the McMaken Co. and placed in the Bauer garage.

DAYLIGHT ROBBERY OCCURS
From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday Sheriff E. P. Stewart received a message from Sheriff Davis of Nemaha county, informing him that there had been a daylight robbery attempted at a farm near Auburn, and requesting that the Cass county sheriff be on the outlook for the culprits. Sheriff Stewart was out all afternoon watching the roads leading through here to Omaha, over which it was thought the parties might be going, but without result. In the evening Mr. Stewart received a message that the men had been seen near Tecumseh, and had been inquiring the road into Omaha from that place. From this it is supposed that they selected some other route to get into Omaha rather than through this city. The men who were sought were driving a car bearing Kansas license number 233,725. One of the men is described as having one defective eye.

SUFFERS INJURED FOOT
From Monday's Daily—
This morning Sterling Hatt, who is employed at the Burlington shops, was the victim of a severe injury to his foot that will necessitate his being off duty for some time. He was unfortunate enough to have a large wheel fall on the left foot and mash the big toe severely. The young man was brought to the office of Dr. Westover and the injured member dressed and made as comfortable as possible but it will be some time before he has the use of his pedal again.

MOVES TO NEW LOCATION
From Tuesday's Daily—
Henry Klinger, who has been conducting a poultry and cream station in the M. W. A. building for the past few months, has removed and is now located in the building at the corner of Sixth and Pearl street formerly occupied by Frank Biotzer with his garage. Mr. Klinger is all settled now in his new location and ready for business.

RICHARD BEVERAGE BETTER

Condition of Richard Beverage at the Clarkson hospital in Omaha continues very favorable and the young man is improving at a very rapid rate and he is expecting to be able to return home in the next week or ten days. Dick has been doing very nicely since the operation and his host of friends are delighted that he is continuing to show such fine progress toward recovery. He had been expecting to return for the past few days but will remain at the hospital until he is assured of his case being entirely cured.

DEATH OF FORMER PLATTSMOUTH LADY OCCURS IN OMAHA

Mrs. John Bock Dies at Omaha While Undergoing Operation—Was Formerly Doris Nielson.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The death of Mrs. John Bock, former Plattsmouth lady, occurred at the Clarkson hospital in Omaha Sunday, messages to relatives here state.

The death of Mrs. Bock came as a very severe shock to the relatives and old friends here as she had been in very good health up to a few days ago when she was suddenly taken ill and was hurried to the hospital where an operation was decided upon Sunday. The patient failed to rally from the effects of the operation and died a short time after the operation, regaining consciousness for only a few moments before she passed away.

The deceased lady was formerly Miss Doris Nielson, daughter of Julius Nielson of this city, receiving her education in the city schools and will be remembered by a large circle of school friends and associates of her childhood days. At the time of her death, Mrs. Bock was 28 years of age and had for the past twelve years been a resident of Omaha.

To mourn the death of this splendid young woman there remain the husband, Edward Bock and three small children, as well as the father, Julius Nielson of this city and the grandmother, Mrs. Frances Purdy, also of this city. The mother died here some twenty-five years ago.

The many old time friends here will join in extending their sympathy to the members of the bereaved family in the loss that has come to them.

VETERAN SALESMAN HERE
From Monday's Daily—
This morning Fred Engle, the veteran traveling representative of the McCord-Brady Co. of Omaha, was here to look after the needs of his customers in this city. This is the first visit of Mr. Engle to Plattsmouth in three months as he has been sick at the hospital in Omaha for several weeks and is still feeling poorly although improved over what he has been. Mr. Engle has been making Plattsmouth for the past thirty-five years and is a familiar figure to the Plattsmouth merchants and who are very much pleased that he is again able to be back on his territory. This is the first time that Mr. Engle has been on the sick list and the strange experience was not enjoyed to say the least.

VISITING WITH CASS COUNTY FRIENDS AND RELATIVES
From Tuesday's Daily—
Mr. and Mrs. Adam Friedrich, from McLean, Nebraska, arrived in Cass county yesterday for a brief visit with friends and relatives and will return home Tuesday. While here they were pleasant callers at the Journal office, as Mr. and Mrs. Friedrich have been among our valued readers for the past few years, and we were more than pleased to meet them once more. They report a very pleasant trip, the roads in excellent condition, gravel most all the way except in Cass county, and crops looking fine all the way through. They were compelled to cut their visit rather short owing to the busy season, as the threshing time will be on as soon as they arrive home.

PRESBYTERIAN PASTOR RECEIVES SALARY INCREASE

Rev. H. G. McClusky, Who Has Performed Splendid Services Here, Receives Recognition.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The members of the congregation of the First Presbyterian church at their congregational meeting, held immediately after the morning service Sunday, voted an increase of \$500 for the salary of the pastor, Rev. H. G. McClusky.

Rev. McClusky has received during his pastorate in this city many very tempting offers of calls from churches in larger cities of the state that he has declined as he enjoyed being a resident of this city, where he has lived for a great many years, being one of the oldest of the members of the religious leaders of the city in point of residence, his services here being only exceeded by that of Father M. A. Shine, of the St. John's Roman Catholic church.

The ability of Rev. McClusky has been recognized over the state by all of the leaders in the Presbyterian church and this was shown by the fact that he was one of the clergymen recently selected to attend the general assembly at Columbus, Ohio, where he occupied a place of distinction among the large assembly of the leaders of the church.

In order to continue here even at the advanced salary offered by the congregation, Rev. McClusky turned down a very attractive offer from one of the large church congregations in the central portion of the state, preferring to remain in Plattsmouth, where the family has formed many warm friendships and the associations have been most pleasant.

The many friends of the family here are more than pleased to learn that Rev. McClusky has decided to remain here for the present at least and to serve the church as their advisor and religious guide.

Yesterday Rev. McClusky, wife and daughter, Catherine, with little Miss Jean Caldwell, departed for an auto trip that will take them thru the beauties of scenic Colorado, the party spending several weeks in looking over the scenes of charm and attractiveness in that section of the west. The trip was made in the new Buick coach that Rev. McClusky has recently purchased and which will provide a very comfortable means of travel through the west.

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